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2012 South Dakota Abbreviated Election Calendar

Sunday, January 1, 2012 Earliest day for June Primary Election or independent candidates to circulate

nominating petitions, including independent presidential candidates.

(SDCL <u>12-6-4.1</u>, <u>12-7-1.1</u>)

Earliest day for independent candidates to file nominating petitions.

(SDCL <u>12-7-1</u>)

First day a June Primary Election candidate may file nominating petitions.

(SDCL 12-6-4)

Tuesday, March 27,

2012

Last day to file Primary Election nominating petitions.

(SDCL <u>12-6-4</u>)

Last day for Presidential candidates to file on their behalf a statement of intent to

be a candidate. (SDCL 12-5-3.14)

Thursday,

Last day for candidates to file for withdrawal from the Primary Election.

March 29,

(ARSD 5:02:07:05) (SDCL 12-6-8.1)

2012

Friday,

Absentee voting may begin for the Primary Election.

April 20, 2012

(SDCL <u>12-16-1</u>)

Monday,

Deadline for voter registration for the Primary Election.

May 21, 2012

(SDCL <u>12-4-5</u>)

Tuesday,

PRIMARY ELECTION DAY

June 5, 2012

Polls are open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. legal time.

(SDCL <u>12-2-1</u>, <u>12-2-3</u>)

No applications for absentee ballots may be honored by the county auditor after

3:00 p.m. on election day.

(SDCL <u>12-19-2.1</u>)

Last day for independent candidates to file nominating petitions with the Secretary of State or county auditor for all offices except President.

(SDCL 12-7-1)

Tuesday, August 7, 2012 Last day for independent candidates to file nominating petitions for President.

(SDCL <u>12-7-7</u>)

Last day for candidates to withdraw nominations.

(ARSD 5:02:07:05) (SDCL 12-6-55)

Friday, September 21, 2012 Absentee voting may begin for the General Election begins.

(SDCL <u>12-16-1</u>, <u>12-16-17</u>, <u>12-19-3</u>)

Monday, October 22, 2012 Voter registration deadline for the General Election.

October 22, (SDCL <u>12-4-5</u>)

Tuesday, November 6, 2012

GENERAL ELECTION DAY

Polls are open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. legal time.

(SDCL <u>12-2-2</u>, <u>12-2-3</u>)

No applications for absentee ballots may be honored by the county auditor after 3:00 p.m. on election day.

(SDCL <u>12-19-2.1</u>)